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Invention: Method to Selectively Fill Recesses with Conductive Metal

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : December 23, 2002
CYPRIAN E. UZOH, ET AL. : Group Art No.: 2811
Serial No. 09/611,955 : Examiner: Hung K. Vu
Filed: July 6, 2000 : IBM Corporation
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RECESSES WITH CONDUCTIVE METAL : Bldg. 300, Zip 482
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application and consider the following REMARKS, all without prejudice, as follows:

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